

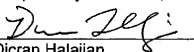
REMARKS / DISCUSSION OF ISSUES

Claims 1-12 are pending in the application.

In the Office Action, the Examiner indicated that claims 1-9, 11 and 12 are allowed. Applicants gratefully acknowledge the indication that claims 1-9, 11 and 12 are allowed. By means of the present amendment, independent claim 10 has been amended to include features similar to that of allowed claim 11. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that independent claim 10 is allowable, and allowance thereof is respectfully requested.

In view of the foregoing, applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the objection(s) and/or rejection(s) of record, allow all the pending claims, and find the application in condition for allowance. If any points remain in issue that may best be resolved through a personal or telephonic interview, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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